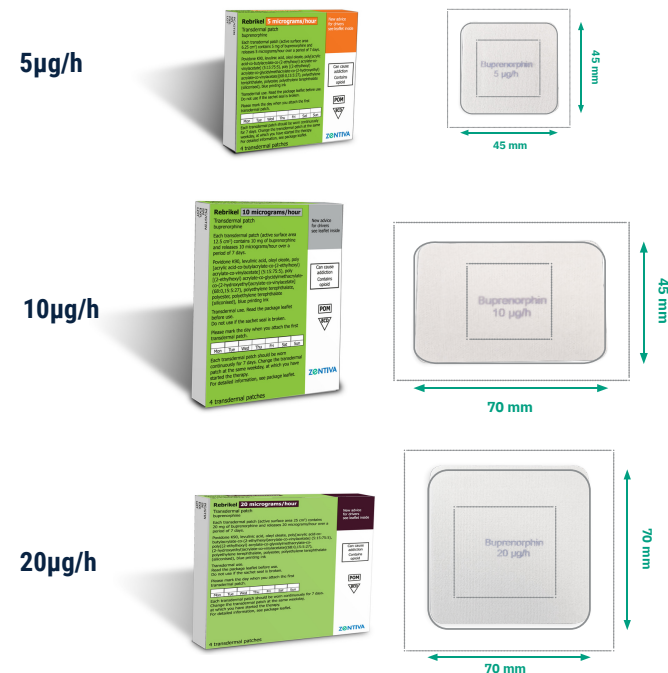


Rebrikel® Transdermal Patch (buprenorphine)

Information for patients who have been prescribed Rebrikel®

Rebrikel® Transdermal Patches available strengths

Your doctor will decide which strength to prescribe for you. See below for details of available strengths, and pictures of the packs and patches



Packs and patches shown are not to size or scale - for illustrative purposes only

How to use Rebrikel® Transdermal Patches

This is a summary, please read the Patient Leaflet inside your pack for full instructions.

- 1 Prepare the skin**
Make sure your skin is completely clean, dry and cool before you put the patch on.
- 2 Open the Sachet**
The Rebrikel® Transdermal Patches (buprenorphine) are individually sealed. The sticky side of the patch is covered with a silvery protective foil. Carefully peel off half the foil. Try not to touch the sticky part of the patch.
- 3 Peel and press**
Stick the patch on to the area of skin you have chosen and remove the remaining foil. Press the patch against your skin with the palm of your hand and count slowly to 30.
- 4 Disposing of the patch**
As soon as you take the patch off, fold it firmly in half so that the sticky side sticks to itself. Put the patch back in the sachet and dispose of as instructed by your pharmacist.

Why has my prescription changed to Rebrikel® Transdermal Patches

Rebrikel® is a brand of buprenorphine transdermal patches. This means that a Rebrikel® patch contains the same medicine and is used to treat the same medical conditions as the original brand (BuTrans®), and also other brands of buprenorphine patches.

Different brands to the original one (BuTrans®) have the same strong painkilling effect.

Has my medicine changed?

Your medicine has not changed. Rebrikel® transdermal patches work in exactly the same way as other buprenorphine patches, such as BuTrans®.

Using and changing patches

There is enough medicine in each patch to last 7 days. You should change your patch every 7 days, unless your doctor has told you otherwise. When changing your Rebrikel® Transdermal Patch, please remember:

- Always remove the old patch before applying the new one.
- Always change your patch at the same time of day every 7 days.
- If you are using more than one patch, change all your patches at the same time.
- Make a note of the day, date and time you apply a patch, to remind you when you need to change your Rebrikel® patch.

Please read the Patient Leaflet inside your pack before you start using this medicine. If you have any further questions, please ask your doctor, pharmacist or nurse.

Reporting of side effects

If you get any side effects, talk to your doctor, pharmacist or nurse. This includes any possible side effects not listed in the package leaflet. You can also report side effects directly via the Yellow Card Scheme at: <https://yellowcard.mhra.gov.uk>. Adverse events should also be reported to Zentiva via email to PV-United-Kingdom@zentiva.com or via phone on **0800 090 2408**.

By reporting side effects, you can help provide more information on the safety of this medicine

